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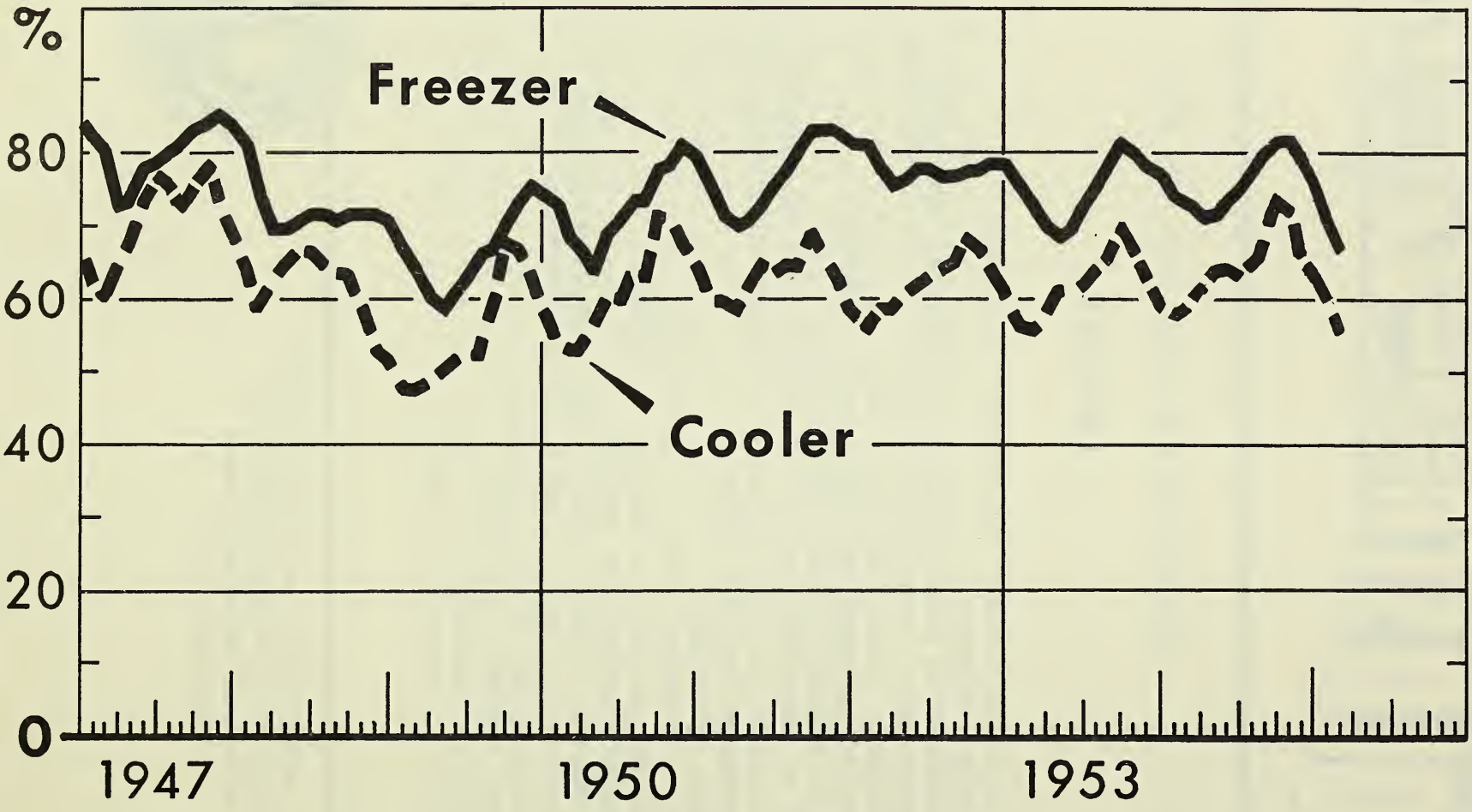
# PERCENTAGE OCCUPANCY OF PUBLIC COLD-STORAGE WAREHOUSES




*END OF MONTH OCCUPANCY*

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# COLD STORAGE REPORT

## Analysis of holdings and space March 31, 1955

[Data for this report are collected from public, private, and semiprivate warehouses, apple houses, and meat-packing plants where food products are generally stored for 30 days or more. Commodities in space owned or leased and operated by the armed services are not reported. All March 31 figures are preliminary.]

### Commodity summary

Contraseasonal decreases during March brought refrigerated stocks of butter down to approximately 312 million pounds by the end of the month and American cheese to 461 million pounds, according to warehouse reports received by the Agricultural Marketing Service. This compares with 347 million pounds of butter in storage last March 31 and 426 million pounds of American cheese on the same date. Stocks of frozen fruits declined seasonally to 270 million pounds--a reduction of 39 million pounds from the month before. These stocks were more than one-fifth larger than the 1950-54 average holdings for this date; stocks of frozen vegetables also were above the March average by about the same ratio, with 454 million pounds reported in storage on March 31. Orange juice holdings totaled almost 27 million gallons by the end of the month which compares with 25 million last year and the March average of 15 million gallons. Poultry stocks were reduced by more than average amounts during March, 49 million as compared with 41 million pounds, to a total of 162 million pounds. A year earlier, stocks totaled 217 million pounds; the average is 206 million pounds. The March increase in shell egg stocks was 40 percent less than average for the date as case egg holdings increased to 487,000. A year earlier, 442,000 cases were in storage while 804,000 cases are average for this time of year. Total red meat stocks declined seasonally to 831 million pounds--a net reduction of 5 million pounds from the month before. The average March decline was almost four times greater. Stocks of pork, however, were increased contraseasonally by 9 million pounds to total 540 million by March 31. Pork totaled 418 million pounds a year earlier and the average is 601 million pounds.

### Storage occupancy

Utilization of public cooler space declined during March and by the end of the month occupancy was down to 58 percent as compared with 60 percent the month before. This 2-point drop was the sharpest March decrease since the 6-point decline in March 1948 and is in contrast to an average rise of 1-point for this time of year. However, cooler occupancy at 58 percent was average for March 31. Freezer occupancy declined seasonally and on March 31 stood at 67 percent--6-points below the average for this date and the occupancy of a year earlier.

### General commodity movement

Net withdrawals of cooler-stored commodities during March left 1.6 billion pounds by the end of the month. Almost all of the reduction in cooler weight was attributable to the net disappearance of stocks of fresh fruits. Storage gains in stocks of nuts, dried and evaporated fruits, and shell and dried eggs were not of sufficient volume to offset stock reductions of the other cooler products. A net reduction of 193 million pounds of freezer-stored products brought the total weight down to 2.5 billion pounds. March reductions were primarily in poultry, fruits, vegetables, and beef while net increases were largely associated with juices, eggs, and pork. Refrigerated stocks in cooler and freezer storage exceeded 4 billion pounds--a record high for this date.

### Fruits, vegetables and juices

March 31 stocks of fresh apples totaled slightly under 8 million bushels. This quantity was only a little more than average for March and about 30 percent larger than last year's stocks. Pear holdings were about halved since February 28 (861,000 bushels) and on March 31 totaled 400,000 bushels. Last March, stocks were under 300,000 bushels. Seasonal net withdrawals of frozen fruits were about

average during March. Total stocks in storage on March 31 were down 39 million pounds from the month before to total 270 million pounds--7 percent greater than a year earlier and 23 percent above the March average. Without exception, stocks of all fruit items were reduced during March. The largest was 17 million pounds in strawberry stocks which totaled 59 million pounds on March 31. Compared with March 1954 holdings, current stocks were down 14 percent but were about 9 percent above the March 31 average. Seasonal net reductions brought frozen vegetable holdings down to 454 million pounds. The reduction of more than 51 million pounds exceeded the record net reduction of last March (about 51 million pounds) and compares with an average March decrease of only 40 million pounds. Significant changes occurred in stocks of green peas, down 16 million pounds from the month before; corn, down 11 million pounds; snap beans, 10 million; and lima beans, 9 million. Holdings of peas at 63 million pounds were the lowest for this date since 1951. However, the 64 million pounds of corn, 49 million pounds of snap beans, and the 74 million pounds of lima beans, each were at record levels for March 31. Orange juice stocks were increased by 2 million gallons during March to total 27 million by the end of March. A year ago, less than 25 million gallons were in storage while the March 31 average is 15 million gallons.

Poultry and dairy products

Above average net reductions in poultry holdings brought stocks down to 162 million pounds by March 31--the lowest for this date since 1949 and the third lowest on record since 1943. By comparison, last March stocks were 217 million pounds while the average is 206 million pounds. Reductions in varying amount ranging up to 19 million pounds were reported for all poultry classifications. Turkey stocks--down 19 million pounds--totaled less than 92 million on March 31 or 6 percent under the March 31, 1954 holdings and 4 percent under average. Holdings of hens (fowls) were down to 27 million pounds, a net reduction of 13 million since February 28. Shell egg holdings were only three-fifths as great as the March average with 487,000 cases reported in storage. The net increase during March was 142,000 cases less than average and 90,000 cases less than the March increase last year. Stocks of frozen eggs totaled 81 million pounds or a March net gain of only 19 million pounds. Last March a net increase of about 50 million pounds brought stocks up to 92 million pounds while the average increase is 34 million pounds and average stocks are 84 million pounds. Butter holdings were down to 312 million pounds which compares with 346 million last March. American cheese stocks declined contraseasonally, too, and by March 31 totaled 461 million pounds. A year earlier, total stocks were at 426 million pounds.

Meat and meat products

The net reduction in stocks of red meats was only about one-fourth as great as the average March net disappearance and only one-fifth as large as the disappearance last March. Current holdings of 831 million pounds compares with 730 million a year earlier and 929 million pounds which is average for this date. Beef stocks were down to 142 million pounds by March 31 or 18 percent less than a year earlier. Pork holdings showed a contraseasonal gain of 9 million pounds which brough total holdings up to 540 million pounds. The average for this date is 601 million pounds while last March, stocks totaled 418 million pounds.

Storage outlook

The contraseasonal decline of public cooler occupancy brought the March 31 operating level below that of last year. This was the first time since January 31, 1954 that cooler occupancy in any given month was below the corresponding month's occupancy in the previous year. According to previous performance, the seasonal low was reached on March 31 and the upward cycle should begin during April. Freezer occupancy has not yet reached its low point and a decline of 1 to 2 points may occur during April.

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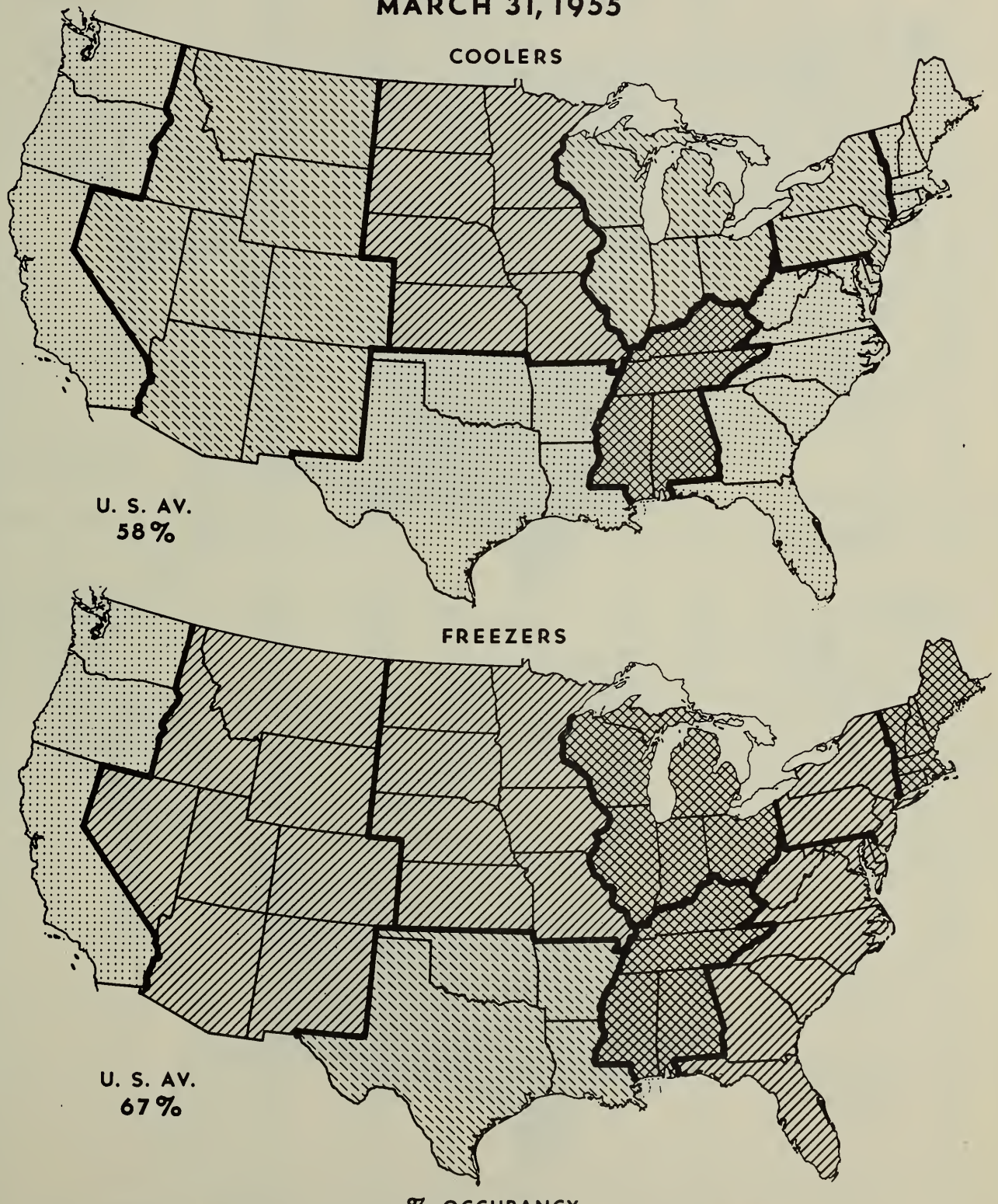
# PUBLIC GENERAL COLD-STORAGE WAREHOUSES

(APPLE HOUSES EXCLUDED)

PERCENTAGE OF SPACE OCCUPIED

## MARCH 31, 1955

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# COLD STORAGE WAREHOUSES OTHER THAN PUBLIC

## PERCENTAGE OF SPACE OCCUPIED

## MARCH 31, 1955

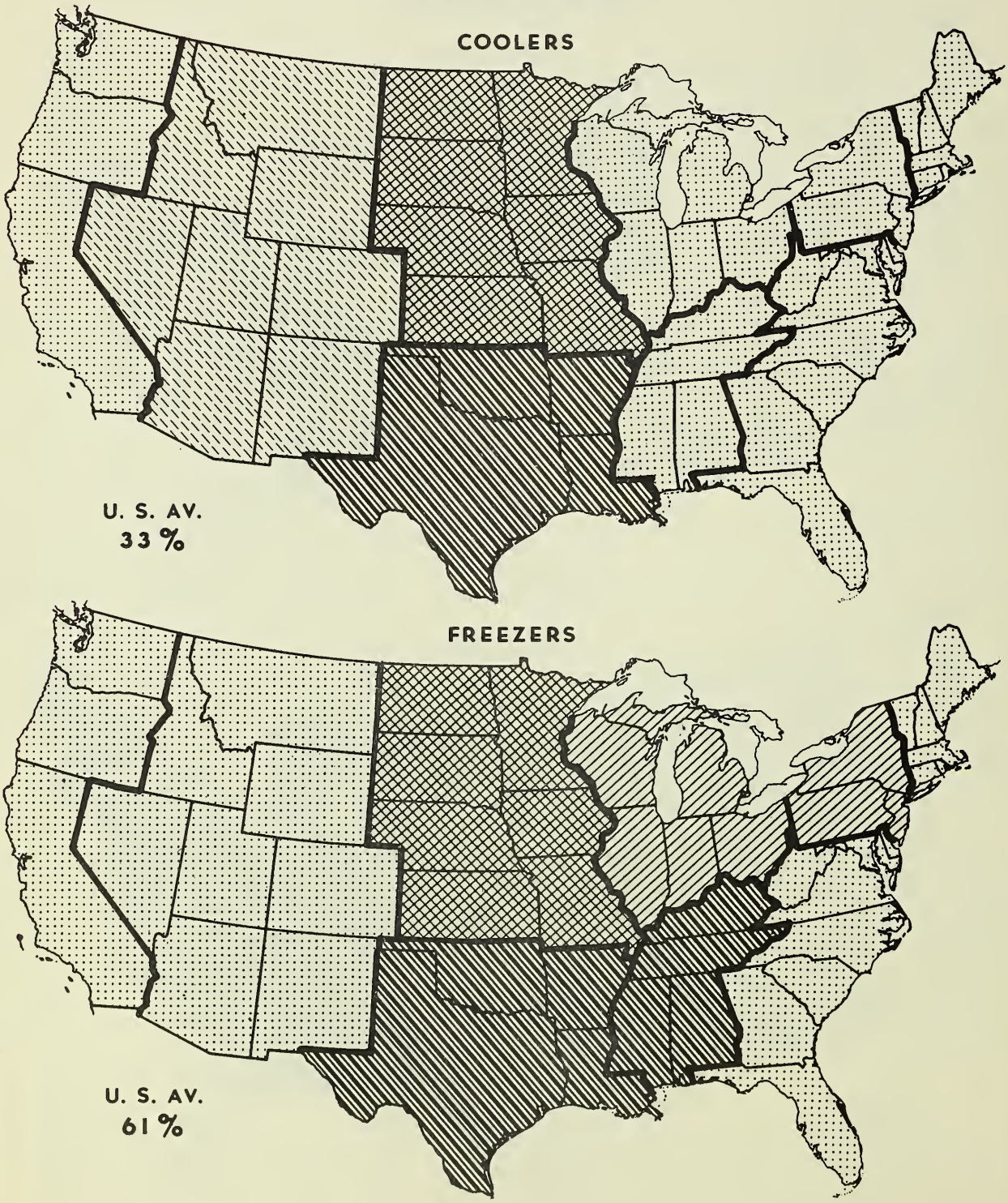


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**TABLE 1. -- End-of-month space and occupancy in public general refrigerated warehouses**

| State or geographic region | New piling space reported (1) March 1955 | | Percentage of net piling space occupied | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | March 1950-54 av. | | March 1954 | | February 1955 | | March 1955 (2) | |
| | Cooler | Freezer | Cooler | Freezer | Cooler | Freezer | Cooler | Freezer | Cooler | Freezer |
| | 1,000 cu. ft. | 1,000 cu. ft. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. |
| Maine, N. H. and Vt. | 445 | 1,186 | 40 | 61 | 29 | 54 | 46 | 65 | 48 | 61 |
| Massachusetts | 2,315 | 6,016 | 42 | 76 | 38 | 86 | 42 | 88 | 43 | 85 |
| R. I. and Connecticut | 270 | 801 | 44 | 69 | 25 | 68 | 41 | 66 | 30 | 65 |
| New England | 3,030 | 8,003 | 42 | 73 | 36 | 79 | 42 | 82 | 42 | 79 |
| New York | 19,191 | 18,731 | 48 | 65 | 49 | 67 | 60 | 70 | 54 | 65 |
| New Jersey | 5,096 | 10,197 | 60 | 73 | 56 | 77 | 54 | 65 | 67 | 61 |
| Pennsylvania | 5,236 | 8,361 | 51 | 80 | 62 | 86 | 64 | 79 | 60 | 79 |
| Middle Atlantic | 29,523 | 37,289 | 51 | 71 | 53 | 74 | 61 | 71 | 57 | 67 |
| Ohio | 3,494 | 6,405 | 53 | 77 | 57 | 86 | 58 | 85 | 52 | 78 |
| Indiana | 708 | 2,060 | 62 | 82 | 63 | 77 | 76 | 83 | 75 | 76 |
| Illinois | 14,122 | 14,677 | 63 | 81 | 65 | 87 | 64 | 89 | 65 | 84 |
| Michigan | 4,034 | 4,555 | 67 | 80 | 58 | 84 | 61 | 80 | 54 | 76 |
| Wisconsin | 5,079 | 2,395 | 68 | 78 | 74 | 79 | 59 | 74 | 59 | 70 |
| East North Central | 27,437 | 30,092 | 63 | 79 | 65 | 85 | 62 | 85 | 61 | 80 |
| Minnesota | 1,089 | 4,730 | 71 | 87 | 78 | 88 | 70 | 88 | 71 | 82 |
| Iowa | 379 | 2,103 | 71 | 85 | 54 | 88 | 88 | 78 | 89 | 77 |
| Missouri | 4,475 | 7,805 | 71 | 81 | 82 | 75 | 68 | 79 | 68 | 77 |
| Dakotas and Nebraska | 789 | 4,267 | 58 | 89 | 62 | 86 | 80 | 77 | 86 | 73 |
| Kansas | 7,148 | 5,479 | 63 | 78 | 70 | 80 | 71 | 48 | 71 | 45 |
| West North Central | 13,881 | 24,384 | 67 | 84 | 74 | 82 | 71 | 73 | 72 | 70 |
| Delaware, Maryland & D.C. | 1,367 | 5,394 | 59 | 71 | 58 | 65 | 58 | 73 | 59 | 65 |
| Virginia and West Va. | 6,072 | 2,938 | 46 | 94 | 39 | 68 | 56 | 71 | 44 | 70 |
| North and South Carolina | 334 | 463 | 65 | 82 | 59 | 72 | 56 | 87 | 50 | 83 |
| Georgia | 3,466 | 1,995 | 80 | 88 | 83 | 80 | 72 | 81 | 69 | 81 |
| Florida | 1,193 | 6,499 | 64 | 73 | 76 | 58 | 62 | 69 | 62 | 79 |
| South Atlantic | 12,432 | 17,289 | 59 | 76 | 57 | 66 | 61 | 72 | 54 | 74 |
| Kentucky | (3) | (3) | 63 | 80 | 68 | 76 | 71 | 77 | (3) | (3) |
| Tennessee | 2,298 | 3,525 | 71 | 78 | 73 | 70 | 75 | 79 | 75 | 77 |
| Alabama and Mississippi | 854 | 1,047 | 66 | 88 | 56 | 82 | 74 | 92 | 77 | 84 |
| East South Central | 3,152 | 4,572 | 69 | 81 | 68 | 73 | 74 | 81 | 76 | 78 |
| Arkansas | 256 | 276 | 53 | 53 | 51 | 53 | 39 | 50 | 43 | 51 |
| Louisiana | 1,023 | 947 | 76 | 81 | 81 | 82 | 73 | 84 | 68 | 79 |
| Oklahoma | 605 | 1,252 | 67 | 85 | 70 | 89 | 40 | 76 | 47 | 77 |
| Texas | 6,257 | 6,450 | 61 | 56 | 59 | 45 | 52 | 51 | 51 | 50 |
| West South Central | 8,141 | 8,925 | 64 | 62 | 62 | 56 | 53 | 58 | 53 | 57 |
| Mountain | 1,577 | 4,449 | 70 | 75 | 72 | 73 | 64 | 74 | 60 | 70 |
| Washington | 2,072 | 7,300 | 48 | 48 | 47 | 46 | 39 | 42 | 36 | 36 |
| Oregon | 1,549 | 6,325 | 47 | 47 | 51 | 44 | 45 | 47 | 45 | 36 |
| California | 13,762 | 23,350 | 55 | 75 | 51 | 72 | 48 | 60 | 53 | 60 |
| Pacific | 17,383 | 36,975 | 53 | 63 | 50 | 62 | 47 | 54 | 50 | 52 |
| United States (4) | 116,556 | 171,978 | 58 | 73 | 59 | 73 | 60 | 71 | 58 | 67 |

(1) Space reported to USDA and temperatures at which it was held March 31, 1955.
(2) Preliminary
(3) Insufficient returns received from this State.
(4) Weighted average of the occupancy for geographic regions based on the corresponding net piling space.

**TABLE 2. -- End-of-month space and occupancy in private and semiprivate general refrigerated warehouses**

| Region | Net piling space (1) | | Percentage of net piling space occupied | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | March 1953 | | March 1954 | | March 1955 | |
| | Cooler | Freezer | Cooler | Freezer | Cooler | Freezer | Cooler | Freezer |
| | 1,000 cu. ft. | 1,000 cu. ft. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. |
| New England | - | - | 39 | 34 | - | - | - | - |
| Middle Atlantic | 2,188 | 1,381 | 36 | 73 | 34 | 57 | 54 | 69 |
| East North Central | 2,816 | 4,856 | 70 | 11 | 58 | 55 | 66 | 65 |
| West North Central | 308 | 2,611 | 14 | 41 | 76 | 70 | 92 | 74 |
| South Atlantic | 681 | 8,516 | 45 | 50 | 5 | 45 | 16 | 43 |
| East South Central | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| West South Central | 166 | 35 | - | - | - | - | 99 | 100 |
| Mountain | 102 | 135 | 65 | - | 43 | - | 95 | 15 |
| Pacific | 1,428 | 6,602 | 37 | 35 | 60 | 56 | 56 | 43 |
| United States (2) | 7,689 | 24,136 | 51 | 36 | 55 | 53 | 58 | 52 |

(1) Space reported to USDA and temperatures at which it was held March 31, 1955.
(2) Weighted average of the occupancy for geographic regions based on the corresponding net piling space.

**TABLE 3. -- End-of-month space and occupancy in meat-packing plants**

| Region | Net piling space (1) | | Percentage of net piling space occupied | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | March 1953 | | March 1954 | | March 1955 | |
| | Cooler | Freezer | Cooler | Freezer | Cooler | Freezer | Cooler | Freezer |
| | 1,000 cu. ft. | 1,000 cu. ft. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. |
| New England | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Middle Atlantic | 647 | 301 | 75 | 52 | 54 | 62 | 56 | 73 |
| East North Central | 5,612 | 1,294 | 83 | 65 | 81 | 75 | 68 | 71 |
| West North Central | 8,229 | 6,143 | 98 | 84 | 86 | 93 | 82 | 86 |
| South Atlantic | 640 | 147 | 65 | 100 | 97 | 97 | 98 | 100 |
| East South Central | 128 | 53 | 100 | 100 | - | - | 100 | 100 |
| West South Central | 763 | 442 | 100 | 100 | - | - | 100 | 100 |
| Mountain | 353 | 138 | - | - | - | - | 86 | 93 |
| Pacific | 795 | 316 | 59 | 90 | 89 | 85 | 83 | 76 |
| United States (2) | 17,167 | 8,834 | 85 | 77 | 85 | 90 | 78 | 84 |

(1) Space reported to USDA and temperatures at which it was held March 31, 1955.
(2) Weighted average of the occupancy for geographic regions based on the corresponding net piling space.

Table 4.—United States refrigerated net piling space capacity, October 1, 1953 1/

| State or geographic region | Type of warehouse | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Public general | | Private & semiprivate general | | Meat-packing plants | | Apple houses | |
| | Freezer | Cooler | Freezer | Cooler | Freezer | Cooler | Freezer | Cooler |
| | 1,000 cu. ft. | 1,000 cu. ft. | 1,000 cu. ft. | 1,000 cu. ft. | 1,000 cu. ft. | 1,000 cu. ft. | 1,000 cu. ft. | 1,000 cu. ft. |
| Maine, N. H. and Vt. | 1,221 | 462 | 472 | 24 | 2/ | 2/ | 7 | 963 |
| Massachusetts | 7,539 | 2,845 | 650 | 545 | 2/ | 2/ | 14 | 2,309 |
| Rhode Island & Conn. | 1,106 | 333 | 176 | 70 | 2/ | 2/ | 2 | 2,367 |
| NEW ENGLAND | 9,866 | 3,640 | 1,298 | 639 | 574 | 84 | 23 | 5,639 |
| New York | 19,477 | 22,852 | 1,886 | 2,993 | 560 | 3,452 | 401 | 14,558 |
| New Jersey | 12,138 | 4,711 | 505 | 292 | 281 | 103 | 35 | 1,984 |
| Pennsylvania | 8,668 | 6,267 | 1,113 | 1,009 | 117 | 864 | 124 | 3,641 |
| MIDDLE ATLANTIC | 40,283 | 33,830 | 3,504 | 4,294 | 958 | 4,419 | 560 | 20,183 |
| Ohio | 7,309 | 4,774 | 423 | 222 | 325 | 1,853 | 18 | 897 |
| Indiana | 1,831 | 644 | 518 | 403 | 312 | 445 | - | 443 |
| Illinois | 15,111 | 15,671 | 4,876 | 2,934 | 1,958 | 5,122 | - | 1,539 |
| Michigan | 5,308 | 4,096 | 1,752 | 1,461 | 227 | 847 | (57 | (2,475 |
| Wisconsin | 2,012 | 6,014 | 522 | 3,820 | 1,593 | 1,788 | | |
| EAST NORTH CENTRAL | 31,571 | 31,199 | 8,091 | 8,840 | 4,415 | 10,055 | 75 | 5,354 |
| Minnesota | 5,001 | 1,085 | 1,152 | 97 | 1,648 | 1,577 | - | - |
| Iowa | 3,296 | 609 | 755 | 503 | 2,630 | 1,930 | - | - |
| Missouri | 8,340 | 5,165 | 232 | 305 | 956 | 2,234 | 2/ | 2/ |
| Dakotas and Nebraska | 4,148 | 732 | 1,533 | 439 | 2,652 | 4,300 | - | - |
| Kansas | 2,909 | 7,273 | 747 | 227 | 621 | 1,785 | 2/ | 2/ |
| WEST NORTH CENTRAL | 23,694 | 14,864 | 4,419 | 1,571 | 8,507 | 11,826 | 5 | 735 |
| Delaware, Maryland & D. C. | 7,132 | 872 | 272 | 119 | 2/ | 2/ | - | 986 |
| Virginia and W. Virginia | 2,858 | 6,811 | 940 | 1,416 | - | 184 | 480 | 14,587 |
| North and South Carolina | 694 | 482 | 347 | 214 | 2/ | 2/ | 9 | 326 |
| Georgia | 2,396 | 3,504 | 631 | 207 | 408 | 486 | - | - |
| Florida | 5,081 | 1,129 | 9,588 | 35 | - | - | - | - |
| SOUTH ATLANTIC | 18,161 | 12,798 | 11,778 | 1,991 | 457 | 1,016 | 489 | 15,899 |
| Kentucky | 953 | 889 | 2/ | 2/ | 2/ | 2/ | - | - |
| Tennessee | 3,974 | 2,081 | 257 | 3 | 274 | 429 | 2/ | 2/ |
| Alabama and Mississippi | 1,008 | 1,094 | 2/ | 2/ | 2/ | 2/ | - | - |
| EAST SOUTH CENTRAL | 5,935 | 4,064 | 387 | 119 | 329 | 529 | 2/ | 2/ |
| Arkansas | 488 | 256 | (540 | (52 | 2/ | 2/ | 2/ | 2/ |
| Louisiana | 1,542 | 972 | | | 2/ | 2/ | 2/ | 2/ |
| Oklahoma | 1,120 | 602 | 100 | 103 | 809 | 1,790 | - | - |
| Texas | 9,755 | 4,102 | 219 | 714 | 1,014 | 1,486 | - | - |
| WEST SOUTH CENTRAL | 12,905 | 5,932 | 859 | 869 | 1,846 | 3,280 | 2/ | 2/ |
| MOUNTAIN | 4,571 | 1,556 | 1,143 | 238 | 1,064 | 764 | 2/ | 2/ |
| Washington | 7,974 | 2,091 | 4,348 | 837 | 339 | 1,152 | 259 | 52,376 |
| Oregon | 6,845 | 2,039 | 3,234 | 820 | (352 | (1,664 | - | 6,489 |
| California | 21,756 | 12,198 | 3,759 | 11,936 | | | 831 | 6,097 |
| PACIFIC | 36,575 | 16,328 | 11,341 | 13,593 | 691 | 2,816 | 1,090 | 64,962 |
| UNITED STATES | 183,561 | 124,211 | 42,820 | 32,154 | 18,841 | 34,789 | 2,252 | 113,548 |

1/ Total storage capacity in the United States and the lowest temperature at which it could be held as reported by the latest biennial survey, October 1, 1953.

2/ Not shown to avoid disclosure of individual plant reports.

Table 5. — Net changes in storage holdings during March.(1)

| Cooler commodities | Holdings Mar. 31, 1955 | March net change | | Freezer commodities | Holdings Mar. 31, 1955 | March net change | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Quantity | Pct. | | | Quantity | Pct. |
| | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | Pct. | | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | Pct. |
| Apples | 378,240 | -255,072 | 40 | Cream | 4,231 | 64 | 2 |
| Pears | 20,000 | -23,050 | 53 | Butter, creamery | 311,672 | -2,896 | 1 |
| Other fresh fruits | 6,774 | -11,854 | 64 | Eggs | 81,646 | 19,129 | 31 |
| Fresh vegetables | 115,931 | -7,752 | 6 | Poultry | 162,024 | -49,234 | 23 |
| Dried & evap. fts. | 34,369 | 1,997 | 6 | Fruits | 269,912 | -39,240 | 13 |
| Nuts & nut meats | 96,634 | 6,790 | 8 | Juices | 391,108 | 33,605 | 9 |
| Cheese | 491,340 | -8,402 | 2 | Vegetables | 454,319 | -51,109 | 10 |
| Other dairy prod. | 4,560 | -2,484 | 35 | Beef | 135,370 | -9,866 | 7 |
| Shell eggs | 21,915 | 9,855 | 82 | Veal | 12,263 | -1,353 | 10 |
| Dried eggs | 1,871 | 408 | 28 | Pork | 435,943 | 11,914 | 3 |
| Beef | 7,026 | -136 | 2 | Lamb and mutton | 9,196 | 453 | 5 |
| Pork | 103,932 | -2,576 | 2 | Edible offal | 53,899 | -1,705 | 3 |
| Sausage | 8,921 | 120 | 1 | Sausage | 5,926 | 515 | 10 |
| Canned meats | 58,983 | -2,770 | 4 | Miscellaneous | 204,487 | -103,421 | 34 |
| Miscellaneous | 257,600 | 88,419 | 52 | | | | |
| Total | 1,608,096 | -206,507 | 11 | Total | 2,531,996 | -193,144 | 7 |

(1) For a detailed breakdown see the following tables.

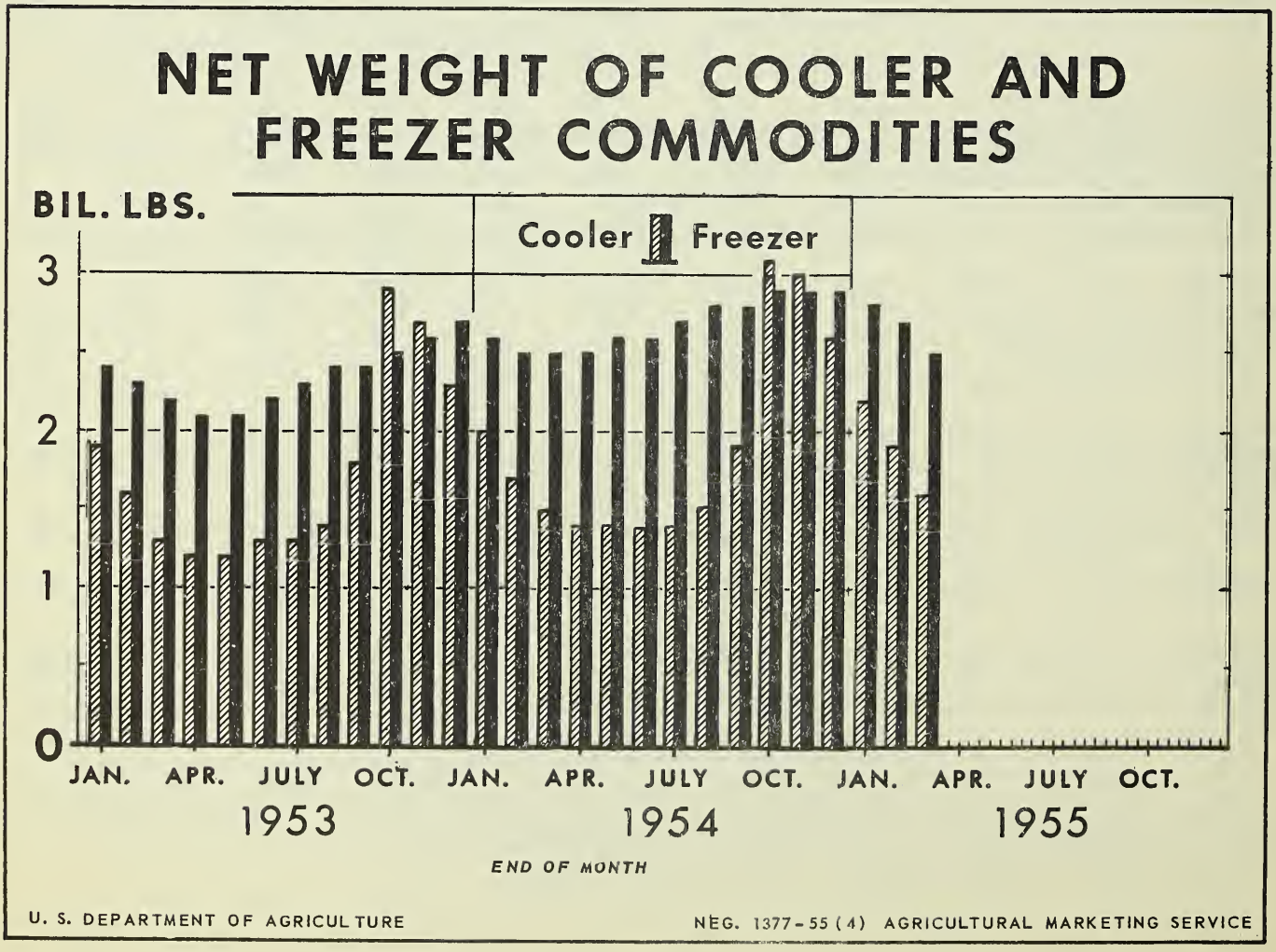

**TABLE 6. -- End-of-month space and occupancy in public general warehouses in selected cities**

| City (1) | Net piling space reported (2) | | Percentage of net piling space occupied | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | February 1954 | | March 1954 | | February 1955 | | March 1955 | |
| | Cooler | Freezer | Cooler | Freezer | Cooler | Freezer | Cooler | Freezer | Cooler | Freezer |
| | 1,000 cu. ft. | 1,000 cu. ft. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. |
| New England: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Boston. . . . . | 1,480 | 4,089 | 18 | 86 | 28 | 87 | 38 | 93 | 41 | 89 |
| Middle Atlantic: | | | | | | | | | | |
| New York. . . . | 5,341 | 8,836 | 71 | 77 | 71 | 77 | 74 | 74 | 76 | 74 |
| Buffalo . . . . | 606 | 2,000 | 78 | 54 | 72 | 52 | 65 | 69 | 83 | 69 |
| Rochester . . . | 5,822 | 2,335 | 43 | 47 | 36 | 42 | 81 | 76 | 39 | 47 |
| Philadelphia. . | 2,232 | 5,182 | 58 | 85 | 65 | 87 | 47 | 57 | 72 | 76 |
| Pittsburgh. . . | 1,488 | 2,108 | 83 | 87 | 84 | 89 | 72 | 78 | 54 | 85 |
| Jersey City. . . | 4,558 | 6,568 | 54 | 78 | 56 | 79 | 61 | 86 | 69 | 67 |
| E. N. Central: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cleveland . . . | 2,077 | 2,630 | 58 | 87 | 56 | 86 | 66 | 89 | 51 | 78 |
| Cincinnati. . . | 378 | 1,393 | 38 | 87 | 43 | 86 | 45 | 81 | 49 | 76 |
| Chicago . . . . | 10,890 | 13,769 | 62 | 89 | 66 | 88 | 61 | 89 | 61 | 84 |
| Detroit . . . . | 3,363 | 3,827 | 63 | 87 | 61 | 86 | 69 | 83 | 63 | 81 |
| Milwaukee . . . | 717 | 1,727 | 75 | 80 | 83 | 85 | 51 | 76 | 49 | 73 |
| W. N. Central: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Minneapolis . . | 774 | 2,595 | 64 | 87 | 75 | 86 | 82 | 92 | 75 | 78 |
| St. Louis . . . | 2,069 | 3,544 | 83 | 73 | 87 | 79 | 69 | 88 | 68 | 88 |
| Kansas City . . | 1,753 | 5,051 | 62 | 70 | 70 | 71 | 49 | 49 | 49 | 47 |
| South Atlantic: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Baltimore & D.C. | 1,273 | 5,056 | 62 | 67 | 58 | 65 | 58 | 75 | 60 | 66 |
| Richmond. . . . | 1,034 | 627 | 58 | 73 | 50 | 70 | 54 | 71 | 54 | 68 |
| Norfolk . . . . | 1,167 | 1,081 | 74 | 73 | 68 | 68 | 81 | 66 | 82 | 65 |
| E. S. Central: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Nashville . . . | 1,200 | 1,648 | 73 | 85 | 75 | 77 | 82 | 84 | 81 | 82 |
| Memphis . . . . | 339 | 1,348 | 57 | 69 | 69 | 66 | 72 | 71 | 74 | 69 |
| W. S. Central: | | | | | | | | | | |
| New Orleans . . | 879 | 707 | 67 | 81 | 79 | 83 | 71 | 79 | 65 | 74 |
| Dallas-Ft.Worth | 4,337 | 4,890 | 54 | 42 | 53 | 38 | 51 | 46 | 51 | 45 |
| Pacific: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Seattle . . . . | 1,094 | 2,111 | 37 | 64 | 50 | 58 | 51 | 58 | 51 | 51 |
| Tacoma . . . . | 353 | 1,984 | 14 | 50 | 18 | 42 | 14 | 32 | 11 | 29 |
| Portland. . . . | 504 | 3,511 | 34 | 49 | 46 | 42 | 52 | 48 | 60 | 36 |
| Los Angeles . . | 3,140 | 6,720 | 62 | 74 | 65 | 74 | 69 | 66 | 67 | 69 |
| San Francisco . | 3,413 | 4,011 | 54 | 91 | 56 | 87 | 66 | 73 | 70 | 70 |
| San Jose. . . . | 2,400 | 3,871 | 22 | 71 | 16 | 66 | 14 | 36 | 25 | 46 |
| Modesto . . . . | 942 | 2,364 | 76 | 69 | 71 | 74 | 67 | 70 | 63 | 60 |

(1) Space shown includes public warehouses within a 25-mile radius of city named.
(2) Space reported to USDA and temperatures at which it was held March 31, 1955.
(3) Insufficient returns received from this city.

Table 7. — End-of-month space and occupancy in apple houses

| Regions | Net piling space (1) | | Space occupied | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | March 1953 | | March 1954 | | March 1955 | |
| | Cooler | Freezer | Cooler | Freezer | Cooler | Freezer | Cooler | Freezer |
| | 1,000 cu. ft. | 1,000 cu. ft. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. |
| New England | 2,937 | - | 10 | - | 8 | - | 10 | - |
| Middle Atlantic | 14,951 | 464 | 18 | 61 | 28 | 62 | 31 | 88 |
| East North Central | 3,730 | 4 | 15 | - | 20 | 17 | 17 | 25 |
| West North Central | 417 | - | 22 | - | 7 | - | 9 | - |
| South Atlantic | 11,308 | 63 | 16 | 57 | 20 | 73 | 19 | 65 |
| East South Central and West South Central | 384 | 10 | 1 | 100 | - | - | 5 | 100 |
| Mountain | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Pacific | 47,482 | 99 | 15 | 20 | 17 | 8 | 20 | 42 |
| United States (2) | 81,209 | 640 | 16 | 45 | 19 | 48 | 22 | 79 |

(1) Space reported to USDA and temperatures at which it was held March 31, 1955.
(2) Weighted average of the occupancy for geographic regions based on the corresponding net piling space.

Table 8. — End-of-month apple holdings, by States

| States | March 1950-54 av. | March 1954 | February 1955 | March 1955 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1,000 bu. | 1,000 bu. | 1,000 bu. | 1,000 bu. |
| Vermont, Massachusetts, and Connecticut | 269 | 161 | 625 | 339 |
| New York | 1,076 | 727 | 2,665 | 1,359 |
| New Jersey | 263 | 147 | 349 | 210 |
| Pennsylvania | 218 | 107 | 389 | 179 |
| Ohio | 122 | 81 | 118 | 81 |
| Illinois | 231 | 141 | 204 | 140 |
| Michigan | 235 | 150 | 376 | 247 |
| Missouri | 59 | 32 | 68 | 40 |
| Kansas | 11 | 3 | 24 | 11 |
| Virginia | 635 | 266 | 1,214 | 586 |
| West Virginia | 128 | 75 | 246 | 92 |
| Washington | 3,365 | 3,422 | 5,243 | 3,593 |
| Oregon | 213 | 44 | 238 | 152 |
| California | 604 | 588 | 1,120 | 669 |
| Other States (1) | 257 | 151 | 315 | 182 |
| United States | 7,686 | 6,095 | 13,194 | 7,880 |

(1) Holdings for States having significant quantities of apples are given above. Other holdings shown under "Other States."

**TABLE 9. -- End-of-month stocks of fruits, vegetables, and nuts**

Net changes in stocks during March and comparisons:

Fresh apples: Decreased by 5 million bushels; March 1954 decrease was 5 million bushels; average March decrease was 5 million bushels.

Fresh pears: Decreased by 461 thousand bushels; March 1954 decrease was 395 thousand bushels; average March decrease was 294 thousand bushels.

| Commodity | Unit | March 1950-54 av. | March 1954 | February 1955 | March 1955 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Thou. | Thou. | Thou. | Thou. |
| Apples, fresh: | | | | | |
| Western (1) | Standard box | 4,280 | 4,130 | 6,537 | 4,484 |
| Western | Bushel (2) | 185 | 102 | 289 | 105 |
| Eastern | Bushel basket | 1,319 | 676 | 2,136 | 1,115 |
| Eastern | Bushel (2) | 1,902 | 1,187 | 4,232 | 2,176 |
| Total | Bushel | 7,686 | 6,095 | 13,194 | 7,880 |
| Pears, fresh: | | | | | |
| Bartletts | Packed box | 3 | 2 | 2 | - |
| Bartletts | Loose box | - | - | 1 | 1 |
| Other varieties | Box | 225 | 261 | 839 | 396 |
| Other varieties | Bushel basket | 5 | - | 19 | 3 |
| Total | Bushel | 233 | 263 | 861 | 400 |
| Other fruits, vegetables, and nuts: | | | | | |
| Fresh grapes | Pound | (3) | 14,508 | 15,742 | 3,652 |
| Other fresh fruits | do. | 10,417 | 3,176 | 2,886 | 3,122 |
| Dried & evaporated fruits | do. | 42,536 | 32,893 | 32,372 | 34,369 |
| Onions | do. | 33,826 | 36,859 | 50,648 | 39,194 |
| Celery | do. | 1,171 | 188 | 92 | 152 |
| Other fresh vegetables | do. | 87,625 | 69,838 | 72,943 | 76,585 |
| Nut meats, peanuts | do. | 40,441 | 40,327 | 38,382 | 41,524 |
| Nut meats, other nuts | do. | 28,695 | 25,770 | 19,077 | 23,420 |
| Peanuts, in shell | do. | 1,432 | 553 | 577 | 2,595 |
| Other nuts, in shell | do. | 47,235 | 83,133 | 31,808 | 29,095 |

(1) Western apples are those grown in Washington, Oregon, California, Idaho, Nevada, Wyoming, Montana, Utah, Colorado, Arizona, and New Mexico.
(2) Other containers in terms of bushel equivalents.
(3) Data not available.

**TABLE 10 -- End-of-month stocks of dairy and poultry products, by States, March 31, 1955**

| State | Cream | | Creamery butter | American cheese | Shell eggs | Frozen eggs | Total poultry |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Fluid | Plastic | | | | | |
| | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 cases | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds |
| Massachusetts | 46 | | 3,159 | 1,117 | 6 | 1,120 | 5,131 |
| Other States | | | 848 | 63 | 2 | 443 | 1,735 |
| New England | | | 4,007 | 1,180 | 8 | 1,563 | 6,866 |
| New York | 1,884 | 214 | 37,310 | 71,621 | 19 | 5,946 | 17,889 |
| New Jersey | 167 | | 20,065 | 13,136 | 49 | 3,325 | 6,700 |
| Pennsylvania | 750 | 87 | 11,040 | 19,024 | 14 | 2,497 | 12,414 |
| Middle Atlantic | | | 68,415 | 103,781 | 82 | 11,768 | 37,003 |
| Ohio | 53 | | 10,913 | 14,094 | 15 | 2,124 | 5,220 |
| Indiana | | | 2,984 | 2,495 | 4 | 1,797 | 812 |
| Illinois | 126 | | 96,745 | 47,634 | 156 | 9,548 | 22,872 |
| Michigan | 158 | | 14,044 | 12,408 | 9 | 862 | 3,387 |
| Wisconsin | 49 | | 5,275 | 113,963 | 1 | 476 | 1,639 |
| East North Central | | | 129,961 | 190,594 | 185 | 14,807 | 33,930 |
| Minnesota | | | 20,770 | 2,008 | 9 | 1,791 | 4,942 |
| Iowa | | | 15,220 | 1,362 | 19 | 6,226 | 1,631 |
| Missouri | 37 | 7 | 16,913 | 43,204 | 20 | 15,986 | 6,176 |
| Dakotas | | | 1,646 | 41 | | 52 | 285 |
| Nebraska | 33 | | 4,289 | 3,644 | 53 | 4,829 | 9,414 |
| Kansas | | | 5,241 | 25,846 | 13 | 6,743 | 2,289 |
| West North Central | | | 64,079 | 76,105 | 114 | 35,627 | 24,737 |
| South Atlantic | | | 17,044 | 35,494 | 32 | 4,005 | 11,411 |
| Kentucky | | | 357 | 6,038 | 3 | 1,246 | 1,406 |
| Tennessee | | | 5,760 | 18,057 | 6 | 2,407 | 1,573 |
| Ala. and Mississippi | | | 442 | 2,992 | 1 | 224 | 1,042 |
| East South Central | | | 6,559 | 27,087 | 10 | 3,877 | 4,021 |
| Arkansas and Louisiana | | | 944 | 2,089 | 3 | 382 | 2,147 |
| Oklahoma | | | 5,659 | 1,882 | 2 | 1,421 | 933 |
| Texas | 10 | | 9,578 | 6,955 | 13 | 3,777 | 4,892 |
| West South Central | | | 16,181 | 10,926 | 18 | 5,580 | 7,972 |
| Colorado | | | 1,908 | 1,489 | 4 | 370 | 2,151 |
| Other States | | | 226 | 1,997 | 6 | 144 | 4,536 |
| Mountain | | | 2,134 | 3,486 | 10 | 514 | 6,687 |
| Washington | | | 1,289 | 1,167 | 1 | 617 | 2,024 |
| Oregon | | | 413 | 6,336 | | 292 | 3,657 |
| California | 253 | 7 | 1,590 | 4,822 | 27 | 2,996 | 23,716 |
| Pacific | | | 3,292 | 12,325 | 28 | 3,905 | 29,397 |
| Other States | 240 | 110 | | | | | |
| United States | 3,806 | 425 | 311,672 | 460,978 | 487 | 81,646 | 162,024 |

TABLE 11. -- End-of-month stocks of dairy and poultry products

Net changes in stocks during March and comparisons:

Cream: Increased by .1 million pounds; March 1954 change was a decrease of 1 million pounds; average March change was a decrease of 1 million pounds.

Butter: Decreased by 3 million pounds; March 1954 change was an increase of 42 million pounds; average March change was an increase of 11 million pounds.

Cheese: Decreased by 8 million pounds; March 1954 change was an increase of 22 million pounds; average March change was an increase of 3 million pounds.

Shell eggs: Increased by 219 thousand cases; March 1954 increase was 309 thousand cases; average March increase was 361 thousand cases.

Frozen eggs: Increased by 19 million pounds; March 1954 increase was 50 million pounds; average March increase was 34 million pounds.

Frozen poultry: Decreased by 49 million pounds; March 1954 decrease was 24 million pounds; average March decrease was 41 million pounds.

| Commodity | Unit | March 1950-54 av. | March 1954 | February 1955 | March 1955 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Thou. | Thou. | Thou. | Thou. |
| Cream, milk, and butter: | | | | | |
| Fluid cream | Pound | 5,095 | 4,494 | 3,805 | 3,806 |
| Plastic cream (75-85% butterfat) | do. | 586 | 361 | 362 | 425 |
| Condensed milk (bulk) | do. | 5,521 | 6,219 | 2,175 | 2,399 |
| Evap. and Cond. milk (case goods) | do. | 4,492 | 611 | 4,869 | 2,161 |
| Butter, creamery | do. | 122,541 | 346,542 | 314,568 | 311,672 |
| Cheese: | | | | | |
| American Cheddar | do. | 206,778 | 426,049 | 470,092 | 460,978 |
| Swiss, including block | do. | 8,103 | 10,235 | 9,704 | 9,614 |
| All other varieties | do. | 15,315 | 14,015 | 19,946 | 20,748 |
| Total cheese | do. | 230,196 | 450,299 | 499,742 | 491,340 |
| Eggs: | | | | | |
| Shell | Case | 804 | 442 | 268 | 487 |
| Frozen eggs, total | Pound | 84,056 | 91,940 | 62,517 | 81,646 |
| Whites | do. | 25,560 | 30,043 | 19,592 | 24,305 |
| Yolks | do. | 18,915 | 18,229 | 17,100 | 21,764 |
| Whole or mixed | do. | 34,980 | 37,851 | 22,592 | 31,519 |
| Unclassified | do. | 4,601 | 5,817 | 3,233 | 4,058 |
| Dried eggs | do. | 34,782 | 1,561 | 1,463 | 1,871 |
| Total eggs (1) | Case | 6,444 | 2,983 | 2,035 | 2,791 |
| Poultry, frozen: | | | | | |
| Broilers | Pound | 4,661 | 5,172 | 3,418 | 3,204 |
| Fryers | do. | 15,852 | 17,876 | 15,397 | 9,107 |
| Roasters | do. | 10,950 | 12,221 | 6,530 | 4,655 |
| Fowls | do. | 46,037 | 48,800 | 39,776 | 27,216 |
| Turkeys | do. | 95,368 | 97,292 | 110,717 | 91,947 |
| Ducks | do. | 2,485 | 3,400 | 5,040 | 3,271 |
| Miscellaneous | do. | 9,202 | 11,515 | 10,148 | 7,735 |
| Unclassified | do. | 21,346 | 21,180 | 20,232 | 14,889 |
| Total poultry | do. | 205,901 | 217,456 | 211,258 | 162,024 |

(1) Case equivalent. Frozen eggs are converted on the basis of 38.5 pounds to the case and dried eggs on the basis of 10.2 pounds to the case.

Table 12. — Commodities stored in public general cold storage warehouses, January 31, 1955

| Cooler commodities | Net weight | Freezer commodities | Net weight |
|---|---|---|---|
| | 1,000 pounds | | 1,000 pounds |
| Apples | 176,496 | Cream | 4,272 |
| Pears | 13,300 | Butter, creamery | 303,869 |
| Other fresh fruits | 9,913 | Eggs | 61,866 |
| Fresh vegetables | 85,583 | Poultry | 229,219 |
| Dried & evap. fruits | 32,034 | Fruits | 270,287 |
| Nuts & nut meats | 61,943 | Juices | 158,565 |
| Cheese | 393,982 | Vegetables | 441,291 |
| Other dairy products | 14,801 | Beef | 130,295 |
| Shell eggs | 9,585 | Veal | 13,305 |
| Dried eggs | 1,050 | Pork | 244,464 |
| Beef | 936 | Lamb and mutton | 4,498 |
| Pork | 2,721 | Edible offal | 23,841 |
| Sausage | 427 | Sausage | 3,394 |
| Canned meats | 22,360 | Fish | 144,125 |
| Lard | 12,302 | Miscellaneous | 54,111 |
| Fish | 10,307 | | |
| Miscellaneous | 115,346 | | |
| Total | 963,086 | Total | 2,087,402 |

Table 13. — End-of-month stocks of certain commodities in storage owned by the Government (1)

| Commodity | Unit | March 1950-54 av. | March 1954 | February 1955 | March 1955 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Thou. | Thou. | Thou. | Thou. |
| Butter, creamery | Lb. | 102,103 | 317,345 | 288,179 | 274,810 |
| American Cheddar cheese | do. | 73,748 | 305,271 | 328,143 | 314,481 |
| Shell eggs | Case | 71 | 61 | 11 | 14 |
| Frozen eggs | Lb. | 68 | 221 | 106 | 70 |
| Poultry | do. | 8,551 | 5,793 | 3,854 | 2,814 |
| Pork | do. | (3) | 15,024 | 10,161 | 9,598 |
| Beef | do. | (3) | 29,845 | 7,546 | 5,347 |

(1) Government holdings are included in the tables of total holdings elsewhere in the report and consist of reported stocks held by USDA, the Armed Services, and other Government agencies. In addition to stocks reported above, the Armed Services hold some stocks in space owned and operated by them on which figures are not available.

(2) Based on actual reports. Estimates on late reports are not included. Current figures will be revised next month.

(3) Data not available.

TABLE 14. — End-of-month stocks of frozen fruits and vegetables

Net changes in stocks during March and comparisons:

Frozen fruits: Decreased by 39 million pounds; March 1954 decrease was 40 million pounds; average March decrease was 37 million pounds.

Frozen vegetables: Decreased by 51 million pounds; March 1954 decrease was 51 million pounds; average March decrease was 40 million pounds.

Frozen orange juice: Increased by 2 million gallons; March 1954 change was a decrease of 1 million gallons; average March change was an increase of 1 million gallons.

| Commodity | March 1950-54 av. | March 1954 | February 1955 | March 1955 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds |
| Fruits, frozen: | | | | |
| Apples | 28,062 | 28,957 | 38,880 | 38,264 |
| Apricots | 3,010 | 2,674 | 2,429 | 1,936 |
| Blackberries | 7,454 | 9,968 | 10,503 | 8,056 |
| Blueberries | 11,632 | 10,594 | 22,544 | 20,054 |
| Cherries | 33,526 | 37,095 | 42,172 | 36,205 |
| Grapes | 10,347 | 6,035 | 12,564 | 10,464 |
| Peaches | 17,297 | 20,025 | 25,269 | 22,795 |
| Plums and prunes | 6,198 | 8,370 | 7,684 | 6,884 |
| Raspberries | 17,720 | 20,783 | 28,651 | 25,456 |
| Strawberries | 53,786 | 68,373 | 75,807 | 58,507 |
| Youngberries, Loganberries, etc. | 6,544 | 8,319 | 9,476 | 8,538 |
| All other fruits | 24,880 | 32,211 | 33,173 | 32,753 |
| Total | 220,456 | 253,404 | 309,152 | 269,912 |
| Juices, frozen: | | | | |
| Orange juice (1) | 149,133 | 243,470 | 249,058 | 265,151 |
| Gallons equivalent (2) | 15,064 | 24,593 | 25,157 | 26,783 |
| Other fruit juices and purees | 66,217 | 124,314 | 108,445 | 125,957 |
| Vegetables, frozen: | | | | |
| Asparagus | 6,081 | 9,046 | 9,875 | 7,747 |
| Beans, lima | 53,239 | 64,847 | 82,717 | 73,484 |
| Beans, snap | 32,596 | 42,310 | 58,792 | 48,799 |
| Broccoli | 33,537 | 50,062 | 26,016 | 28,924 |
| Brussels sprouts | 14,094 | 22,529 | 25,044 | 23,521 |
| Cauliflower | 13,263 | 20,924 | 10,432 | 9,963 |
| Corn, sweet | 28,770 | 54,811 | 75,113 | 64,272 |
| Peas, green | 75,121 | 91,469 | 79,431 | 63,437 |
| Pumpkin and squash | 7,887 | 8,791 | 7,901 | 6,725 |
| Spinach | 27,043 | 32,679 | 14,200 | 17,757 |
| All other vegetables | 77,430 | 115,399 | 115,907 | 109,690 |
| Total | 369,061 | 512,867 | 505,428 | 454,319 |

(1) Orange juice - single strength and concentrated. Includes stocks in packer and public warehouses.
(2) Converted on the basis of 9.9 pounds per gallon.

**TABLE 15. — End-of-month stocks of meats and meat products**

Net changes in stocks during March and comparisons:

Beef: Decreased by 10 million pounds; March 1954 decrease was 33 million pounds; average March decrease was 16 million pounds.

Pork: Increased by 9 million pounds; March 1954 increase was 5 million pounds; average March change was a decrease of 4 million pounds.

Other meats: Decreased by 5 million pounds; March 1954 change was an increase of 2 million pounds; average March change was an increase of 1 million pounds.

| Commodity | March 1950-54 av. | March 1954 | February 1955 | March 1955 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds |
| Beef: | | | | |
| Frozen | 167,821 | 162,966 | 144,208 | 134,214 |
| In cure, cured and smoked | 11,225 | 9,718 | 8,190 | 8,182 |
| Total | 179,046 | 172,684 | 152,398 | 142,396 |
| Pork: | | | | |
| Frozen | 391,225 | 279,221 | 383,344 | 398,790 |
| Dry salt, in cure and cured | 48,061 | 32,602 | 35,761 | 38,046 |
| Other in cure, cured, and smoked | 162,018 | 106,460 | 111,432 | 103,039 |
| Total | 601,304 | 418,283 | 530,537 | 539,875 |
| Other meats and meat products: | | | | |
| Sausage and sausage room products | 16,083 | 14,178 | 14,212 | 14,847 |
| Frozen lamb and mutton | 12,540 | 9,445 | 8,743 | 9,196 |
| Frozen veal | 12,881 | 13,678 | 13,616 | 12,263 |
| Canned meats and meat products | 49,146 | 52,143 | 61,753 | 58,983 |
| All edible offal | 58,214 | 49,284 | 55,604 | 53,899 |
| Total | 148,864 | 138,728 | 153,928 | 149,188 |
| Total all meats | 929,214 | 729,695 | 836,863 | 831,459 |
| Hides and pelts | 56,130 | 70,288 | 93,274 | 88,564 |

Table 16. — End-of-month stocks of fishery products (1)

| Species | March 1950-54 av. | March 1954 | February 1955 | March 1955 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1,000 lb. | 1,000 lb. | 1,000 lb. | 1,000 lb. |
| Frozen fish: | | | | |
| Bait & animal food (salt & fresh-water) | 5,502 | 7,142 | 6,681 | 6,588 |
| Salt-water: | | | | |
| Fillets and steaks: | | | | |
| Blocks and slabs | (2) | (2) | 11,827 | 11,716 |
| Cod | 6,783 | 6,672 | 8,413 | 8,254 |
| Flounder | 2,189 | 2,774 | 1,957 | 1,763 |
| Haddock | 6,895 | 7,488 | 10,632 | 9,752 |
| Halibut | (3) | (3) | 1,482 | 1,690 |
| Ocean perch | 8,022 | 5,735 | 10,403 | 7,672 |
| Pollock | 1,260 | 1,519 | 767 | 453 |
| Salmon | (3) | (3) | 322 | 250 |
| Whiting (incl. split "butterfly") | 1,058 | 745 | 1,090 | 615 |
| Other fillets and steaks | 4,341 | 6,753 | 3,163 | 3,326 |
| Fish sticks or pieces (cooked & uncooked, all species) | (3) | (3) | 5,261 | 5,151 |
| Round, dressed, etc.: | | | | |
| Halibut | 6,072 | 5,311 | 10,950 | 7,007 |
| Mackerel (except Spanish) | 894 | 452 | 1,239 | 996 |
| Sablefish | 2,065 | 1,264 | 2,421 | 1,937 |
| Salmon: | | | | |
| King or chinook | 2,369 | 2,159 | 3,399 | 2,560 |
| Silver or coho | 2,027 | 1,281 | 2,693 | 1,668 |
| Fall or chum | 1,126 | 1,082 | 494 | 427 |
| Unclassified | 679 | 696 | 1,196 | 938 |
| Smelt | 1,346 | 1,114 | 1,254 | 1,689 |
| Swordfish | 1,989 | 1,525 | 1,595 | 1,920 |
| Tuna | 482 | 200 | 839 | 920 |
| Whiting, headed and gutted | 5,636 | 3,846 | 4,336 | 2,437 |
| Other salt-water fish (except bait) | 16,150 | 17,528 | 17,986 | 15,276 |
| Fresh-water: | | | | |
| Fillets and steaks | 379 | 287 | 1,052 | 805 |
| Round, dressed, etc.: | | | | |
| Chubs | 349 | 755 | 1,142 | 514 |
| Trout | 540 | 658 | 1,102 | 978 |
| Whitefish | 1,581 | 1,487 | 1,897 | 1,842 |
| Other fresh-water fish (except bait) | 2,945 | 2,720 | 3,794 | 2,611 |
| Frozen shellfish: | | | | |
| Crabs (incl. crab meat) | 472 | 789 | 681 | 663 |
| Lobster tails (spiny) | 2,034 | 1,574 | 2,891 | 2,523 |
| Oysters | 395 | 524 | 467 | 583 |
| Scallops | 1,556 | 2,639 | 1,199 | 816 |
| Shrimp | 16,402 | 22,508 | 22,666 | 18,968 |
| Squid | 772 | 879 | 646 | 444 |
| Other shellfish | 1,467 | 2,182 | 2,534 | 2,363 |
| Total frozen fish and shellfish | 105,777 | 112,288 | 150,471 | 128,115 |
| Cured fish | 16,745 | 13,119 | 11,524 | 12,142 |
| Total all fish and shellfish | 122,522 | 125,407 | 161,995 | 140,257 |

(1) Data furnished by the Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service.
(2) Prior to October 1954 this item was included with various fillets.
(3) Not shown separately prior to January 1955.

**TABLE 17. -- Cold storage holdings, by geographic regions, March 31, 1955**

| Commodity | Unit | New England | Middle Atlantic | East North Central | West North Central | South Atlantic | East South Central | West South Central | Mountain | Pacific | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Thou. | Thou. | Thou. | Thou. | Thou. | Thou. | Thou. | Thou. | Thou. | Thou. |
| Fruits, frozen: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Apples | Pound | 1,583 | 13,079 | 8,645 | 1,543 | 9,427 | 1,140 | 303 | 337 | 2,207 | 38,264 |
| Apricots | do. | 19 | 296 | 440 | 129 | 26 | 10 | 169 | 66 | 781 | 1,936 |
| Blackberries | do. | 108 | 1,209 | 946 | 1,228 | 256 | 122 | 556 | 48 | 3,583 | 8,056 |
| Blueberries | do. | 3,750 | 6,512 | 5,968 | 1,871 | 781 | 46 | 70 | 148 | 908 | 20,054 |
| Cherries | do. | 450 | 17,006 | 9,994 | 2,424 | 685 | 337 | 545 | 1,237 | 3,527 | 36,205 |
| Grapes | do. | 5 | 4,183 | 5,387 | 142 | 12 | 23 | 7 | 16 | 689 | 10,464 |
| Peaches | do. | 545 | 5,863 | 4,203 | 998 | 5,224 | 728 | 669 | 667 | 3,898 | 22,795 |
| Plums and prunes | do. | 50 | 2,353 | 2,032 | 126 | 57 | 87 | 62 | 24 | 2,093 | 6,884 |
| Raspberries | do. | 1,244 | 5,079 | 4,448 | 2,332 | 466 | 303 | 162 | 179 | 11,243 | 25,456 |
| Strawberries | do. | 4,936 | 14,363 | 10,030 | 6,209 | 3,403 | 1,843 | 2,091 | 1,284 | 14,348 | 58,507 |
| Youngberries, Loganberries, etc. | do. | 64 | 505 | 820 | 829 | 20 | 103 | 93 | 146 | 5,958 | 8,538 |
| All other fruits | do. | 7,898 | 6,648 | 6,042 | 1,217 | 1,478 | 672 | 997 | 313 | 7,488 | 32,753 |
| Total | do. | 20,652 | 77,096 | 58,955 | 19,048 | 21,835 | 5,414 | 5,724 | 4,465 | 56,723 | 269,912 |
| Juices, frozen: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Orange juice (1) | do. | 6,561 | 23,394 | 16,724 | 7,751 | 190,939 | 2,245 | 3,690 | 1,611 | 12,236 | 265,151 |
| Other fruit juices and purees | do. | 2,654 | 18,923 | 19,560 | 10,545 | 40,864 | 1,620 | 4,283 | 901 | 26,607 | 125,957 |
| Vegetables, frozen: | do. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Asparagus | do. | 334 | 2,490 | 951 | 601 | 1,208 | 166 | 335 | 142 | 1,520 | 7,747 |
| Beans, lima | do. | 1,250 | 13,268 | 5,878 | 4,617 | 12,989 | 1,410 | 1,188 | 4,620 | 28,264 | 73,484 |
| Beans, snap | do. | 1,996 | 16,585 | 4,394 | 2,126 | 5,359 | 1,474 | 806 | 642 | 15,417 | 48,799 |
| Broccoli | do. | 689 | 6,410 | 2,729 | 1,175 | 1,566 | 516 | 775 | 451 | 14,613 | 28,924 |
| Brussels sprouts | do. | 387 | 3,533 | 1,356 | 3,720 | 836 | 558 | 402 | 371 | 12,358 | 23,521 |
| Cauliflower | do. | 375 | 2,282 | 1,092 | 503 | 832 | 283 | 365 | 219 | 4,012 | 9,963 |
| Corn, sweet | do. | 1,326 | 12,413 | 7,839 | 11,385 | 3,061 | 657 | 1,094 | 2,275 | 24,222 | 64,272 |
| Peas, green | do. | 4,670 | 14,971 | 8,459 | 7,794 | 3,836 | 1,497 | 1,496 | 1,105 | 19,609 | 63,437 |
| Pumpkin and squash | do. | 440 | 2,259 | 950 | 1,066 | 384 | 162 | 100 | 265 | 1,099 | 6,725 |
| Spinach | do. | 538 | 5,493 | 2,375 | 764 | 2,181 | 228 | 955 | 307 | 4,916 | 17,757 |
| All other vegetables | do. | 6,214 | 25,370 | 14,351 | 9,569 | 13,934 | 3,564 | 2,931 | 6,898 | 26,859 | 109,690 |
| Total | do. | 18,219 | 105,074 | 50,374 | 43,320 | 46,186 | 10,515 | 10,447 | 17,295 | 152,889 | 454,319 |
| Fruits, vegetables and nuts: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fresh grapes | do. | - | 75 | 497 | 13 | 15 | - | - | - | 3,052 | 3,652 |
| Other fresh fruits | do. | 142 | 1,577 | 593 | 208 | 59 | 156 | 57 | - | 330 | 3,122 |
| Dried and evaporated fruits | do. | 492 | 22,898 | 5,204 | 700 | 820 | 457 | 358 | 24 | 3,416 | 34,369 |
| Onions | do. | - | 21,073 | 7,205 | 44 | 352 | 13 | 29 | - | 10,478 | 39,194 |
| Celery | do. | - | 110 | 2 | 21 | 19 | - | - | - | - | 152 |
| Other fresh vegetables | do. | 2,357 | 11,394 | 7,032 | 5,309 | 1,141 | 513 | 1,185 | 6,854 | 40,800 | 76,585 |
| Peanut meats | do. | 1,427 | 773 | 7,946 | 132 | 19,928 | 2,596 | 8,217 | - | 505 | 41,524 |
| Other nut meats | do. | 1,100 | 3,878 | 3,136 | 2,895 | 964 | 199 | 1,993 | 105 | 9,150 | 23,420 |
| Peanuts, in shell | do. | - | 196 | 293 | 59 | 1,979 | - | 40 | - | 28 | 2,595 |
| Other nuts, in shell | do. | 302 | 2,424 | 1,631 | 1,837 | 4,820 | 440 | 2,766 | 32 | 14,843 | 29,095 |
| Fresh apples | Bushel | 369 | 1,748 | 496 | 66 | 711 | 19 | 53 | 3 | 4,415 | 7,880 |
| Fresh pears | do. | - | 14 | 6 | 1 | 1 | - | 4 | - | 374 | 400 |

(1) Concentrated and single strength.

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**TABLE 17. -- Cold storage holdings, by geographic regions, March 31, 1955 -- Continued**

| Commodity | Unit | New England | Middle Atlantic | East North Central | West North Central | South Atlantic | East South Central | West South Central | Mountain | Pacific | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Thou. | Thou. | Thou. | Thou. | Thou. | Thou. | Thou. | Thou. | Thou. | Thou. |
| Dairy products and eggs: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cream (not including plastic) | Pound | 50 | 2,801 | 386 | 87 | 72 | 62 | 43 | 41 | 264 | 3,806 |
| Cream, plastic | do. | - | 301 | - | 7 | 64 | - | 23 | 23 | 7 | 425 |
| Butter, creamery | do. | 4,007 | 68,415 | 129,961 | 64,079 | 17,044 | 6,559 | 16,181 | 2,134 | 3,292 | 311,672 |
| Cheese, American Cheddar | do. | 1,180 | 103,781 | 190,594 | 76,105 | 35,494 | 27,087 | 10,926 | 3,486 | 12,325 | 460,978 |
| Cheese, Swiss including block | do. | - | 425 | 5,702 | 2,700 | 6 | - | 349 | 228 | 204 | 9,614 |
| Cheese, all other varieties | do. | 855 | 5,818 | 9,123 | 1,827 | 659 | 369 | 1,277 | 232 | 588 | 20,748 |
| Eggs, shell | Case | 8 | 82 | 185 | 114 | 32 | 10 | 18 | 10 | 28 | 487 |
| Eggs, frozen | Pound | 1,563 | 11,768 | 14,807 | 35,627 | 4,005 | 3,877 | 5,580 | 514 | 3,905 | 81,646 |
| Eggs, dried | do. | 21 | 341 | 480 | 854 | 68 | - | 66 | 1 | 40 | 1,871 |
| Poultry, frozen: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Broilers | do. | 77 | 509 | 438 | 783 | 211 | 234 | 476 | 36 | 440 | 3,204 |
| Fryers | do. | 311 | 1,765 | 1,314 | 878 | 1,629 | 456 | 1,046 | 307 | 1,401 | 9,107 |
| Roasters | do. | 612 | 2,061 | 650 | 488 | 102 | 62 | 65 | 24 | 591 | 4,655 |
| Fowls | do. | 1,113 | 10,063 | 4,239 | 6,261 | 1,346 | 420 | 779 | 129 | 2,866 | 27,216 |
| Turkeys | do. | 4,204 | 17,389 | 19,542 | 13,557 | 5,775 | 1,804 | 4,667 | 5,055 | 19,954 | 91,947 |
| Ducks | do. | 54 | 1,971 | 624 | 180 | 180 | 20 | 91 | 12 | 139 | 3,271 |
| Miscellaneous | do. | 327 | 2,344 | 1,649 | 1,603 | 220 | 130 | 172 | 146 | 1,144 | 7,735 |
| Unclassified | do. | 168 | 901 | 5,474 | 987 | 1,948 | 895 | 676 | 978 | 2,862 | 14,889 |
| Total | do. | 6,866 | 37,003 | 33,930 | 24,737 | 11,411 | 4,021 | 7,972 | 6,687 | 29,397 | 162,024 |
| Meats, meat products and fish: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Beef, frozen | do. | 9,648 | 17,354 | 37,716 | 24,450 | 4,403 | 6,906 | 10,953 | 2,681 | 20,103 | 134,214 |
| Veal, frozen | do. | 1,154 | 2,588 | 3,437 | 913 | 680 | 401 | 1,973 | 203 | 914 | 12,263 |
| Pork, frozen | do. | 10,450 | 27,681 | 130,536 | 167,855 | 15,280 | 11,541 | 15,206 | 3,955 | 16,286 | 398,790 |
| Lamb and mutton, frozen | do. | 457 | 1,620 | 2,115 | 2,334 | 171 | 26 | 1,051 | 504 | 918 | 9,196 |
| Beef, in cure, cured and smoked | do. | 21,760 | 50,739 | 176,873 | 197,971 | 20,865 | 18,905 | 29,443 | 7,378 | 38,711 | 562,645 |
| Dry salt pork, in cure & cured | do. | 369 | 409 | 10,124 | 19,255 | 3,940 | 774 | 1,650 | 1,069 | 456 | 38,046 |
| All other pork, in cure, cured and smoked | do. | 1,303 | 6,537 | 23,089 | 52,227 | 4,574 | 1,118 | 4,581 | 2,326 | 7,284 | 103,039 |
| All edible offal | do. | 971 | 4,700 | 18,493 | 20,052 | 2,166 | 1,849 | 1,650 | 1,180 | 2,838 | 53,899 |
| Sausage room products | do. | 1,175 | 7,104 | 23,109 | 24,349 | 3,044 | 2,160 | 2,148 | 1,373 | 4,284 | 68,746 |
| Canned meats and meat products | do. | 691 | 7,734 | 19,583 | 23,730 | 1,034 | 96 | 1,679 | 201 | 4,235 | 58,983 |
| Total | do. | 25,298 | 72,523 | 252,778 | 317,532 | 33,457 | 23,053 | 39,501 | 12,347 | 54,970 | 831,459 |
| Hides and pelts | do. | 14,646 | 261 | 35,400 | 29,997 | 1,782 | 294 | 2,965 | 1,770 | 1,449 | 88,564 |
| Fish, frozen | do. | 30,311 | 32,127 | 16,150 | 7,461 | 5,996 | 8,415 | 2,104 | 973 | (1)24,578 | 128,115 |

(1) Includes fish in Alaska.

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